

Moguls Think Game Will Endure
Despite Actions In Perry Case

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Walter Johnson Leads In Lead
Then Hands Contest To Tigers

BASEBALL MEN DON'T THINK PASTIME WILL GO TO WALL BECAUSE OF PERRY

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Shrewd baseball men, while aghast at the possibilities of a rupture between the two major leagues at this time, do not believe that the structure of the national game will fall to the ground. They think, on the other hand, that much good will result from President John K. Tener's deft handling at Ban Johnson and the American League. They believe that much-needed reform in the government of the game will evolve from the present untoward situation. In other words, the National Commission will undergo changes that will make its position all the stronger and increase respect for its rulings.

President Tener has asked for the support of his magnates in his stand against Ban Johnson and the American League. If it is granted, and Ban retains his present position, the National Commission will be dissolved, and each major league will run its own affairs. Financial ruin will follow such action. If Tener is allowed to resign his place as president of the older league, and the whole trouble is permitted to remain stagnant until the 1915 season, diplomacy may result in a settlement of the affair of which Connie Mack is the center.

It is probable that nothing will happen until after July 29, the date for the injunction hearing in Cleveland. After that much may happen.

Stallings To Blame.
Many believe that time will help in settling the trouble and that some action may be taken by the Boston National League club, probably turning Perry over to Connie Mack without a quibble.

George Stallings is pretty close to the bottom of the fight. Until a year ago he was the manager of the Boston National League club, probably turning Perry over to Connie Mack without a quibble.

It was only when Perry was found to have pitched possibilities that the Braves manager suddenly dug up his claws. He did it with the National Commission and brought all this trouble upon baseball. Where the commission fell down was in its failure to see moral action on Stallings or the Boston club.

Griffs Still Drooping.
Today the Griffins are six games behind first place, thanks to their disastrous defeat by the Tigers and the victory of the Red Sox. Mr. Griffith's young and old entertainers have now dropped four straight games, giving three of them away. There is no limit to their activities in this direction apparently. Storm signals are set for today from the Potomac to Park road. The Tigers took the first game here, 8 to 6, when the great Walter Johnson, hero among hurling wonders, was beaten into the dust yesterday, 8 to 6, when the Detroit Tigers, massing their heaviest artillery in the seventh and ninth innings, subjected him to a marvelous bombardment, piling up five runs in the seventh and then running away with the honors in the ninth with three more.

Under Modern Conditions.
However, with a real contest running a continuous performance across the pond, the modern description is as follows:
Walter Johnson, thinking the bubble reputation pure gold, blew away a ball game yesterday when he de-

liberately loafed and let the Tigers snatch a victory which should have gone to the home boys. Oh, ha, hum! Seeing as it ended the wrong way, the fans should be informed that the poorest kind of pitching by Johnson allowed the enemy to take home the bacon. For five frames Johnson was invincible. In the sixth he allowed one hit. Then, after seeing his team give him six runs, he deliberately stopped pitching. Knowing Mr. Johnson rather better than passing well, we might say that it wasn't quitting of the coward type. It was of the underestimating type, the loafing type, the hookworm type. It cost the Griffs a game, too. It also disgusted the few fans who saw the exhibition.

A Marvelous Sixth Frame.
It was a marvelous sixth inning for the Griffs, for which they deserve all praise. They drove George Cunningham to the showers before a perfect hurricane of bingles. Shotton, Foster, and Judge hit safely in a row, filling the corners, and Hank Shanley cleaned them with a furious double to left. Schulte sacrificed, and then Picinich, Lavan and Johnson continued the assault upon Jennings' young twirler until six runs had been chalked up for the home team to the Tigers' nothing whatever. And then Johnson quit cold. After two had died with one on in the Tigers' seventh, Kallio hit safely. Bush walked. Jones scratched a hit to the infield and Cobb singled, driving in two runs. Veach's hearty double sent in two more. As Curry had tallied on Jones' bingle, the Tigers were one behind.

Tigers Win In Ninth.
The Tigers won the affair in the ninth, Johnson looking about as good as Garland Buckeye might have under similar circumstances. Bush, Jones and Cobb came through with scratch blows, filling the bases. Heilmann's wallop to right, with Picinich's error on a thrown ball, gave the Westerners three runs. It might be injected that Cobb deliberately kicked the ball from Picinich's hands, but this is a rough world, you know, boys.

Until Johnson got that nut idea of his invincibility, it was a grand struggle between the Kansas and Cunningham. Neither team could do anything, but the sudden and wholly unexpected shelling of Mr. Cunningham in the sixth, with the following brutal assaults upon Mr. Johnson in the seventh and ninth, made the fans sore and think of White Lot contests. Indeed, the Rex A. C., the Quantico Marines, Operations, and Camp Meigs offer better games around here, and don't make any charge, either.

Ty Cobb, the Dixie devil hound, provided the lone fielding sensation of the evening when he robbed George McBride of a blow by raising far out toward Republican headquarters in left center and dragged down his tremendous thigh. Poor Mac, he needed that blow, too, for he was the only one of his side not to hit safely at least once.

Probable Line-ups For Today.

TIGERS	GRIFFMEN.
Bush, ss.	Shotton, lf.
Jones, 3b.	Foster, 3b.
Cobb, cf.	Judge, 1b.
Veach, lf.	Shanks, lf.
Heilmann, 1b.	Schulte, rf.
Harper, rf.	Picinich, c.
Curry, 2b.	Lavan, ss.
Stanage, c.	Shaw, p.
Spencer, c.	Harper, p.
Yelle, c.	Hansen, p.
Kallio, p.	Ayers, p.
Boland, p.	Reese, p.
Dauess, p.	McBride, 2b.
Coveleskie, p.	

Game at 4 o'clock.

EBBETS WILL STAY WITH JOHN TENER IN FIGHT ON BAN

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 12.—Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn National League baseball club and Harry Herrmann, chairman of the national baseball commission, both of whom are here attending the Ebbets' convention, declared today that they would stand behind former Governor of Pennsylvania John K. Tener, president of the National League, in his position in the Scott Perry wrangle.

Recently President Tener caused a sensation in baseball when he announced that unless "Pitcher Perry" was turned over to the Boston National League club by Connie Mack of the Athletics, as ordered by the national commission, he would cease to act as a member of the supreme baseball body. Following a conference with Chairman Herrmann and President Tener at the Traymore, Ebbets said:

"I uphold and commend President Tener in his action opposing the position taken by Ban Johnson, of the American League. I regard this matter as being perhaps the most important subject which has come to the attention of organized baseball since the adoption of the national agreement in 1906. The action of the minority member of the commission in seeking redress in the courts is a little short of revolutionary. It strikes at the fundamental basis of harmonious action among baseball men. Some people may differ in regard to the evidence in the Scott Perry case, but as to whether parties to the national agreement shall abide by its decisions there can be no differences. The commission must be upheld."

DOC BARRETT ACCEPTS TRAINING COMMISSION

WILLIAMSTOWN, July 12.—Doc Barrett, trainer of the Williams College athletic teams for the last twenty years and caretaker of the New York Yankees' crimples for several years during the regime of Frank Chance, has received his commission in the United States army to look after members of the flying corps and keep them physically fit. He is now awaiting orders to join the colors for foreign service, and expects to be sailing for France within a short time.

When Walter Camp proposed his plan for securing leading college trainers to look after Uncle Sam's airmen, Barrett was one of the first to volunteer his services. The Williams athletic council promptly granted a leave of absence. Since filing his application, Barrett has been attending to his duties with the Williams athletes, but now that his commission has arrived he is prepared to depart at any time.

RETAINS LEAGUE LEAD.

Commerce retained the leadership of the Departmental League by defeating the Finance and Accounts team, 1 to 0, in a pitchers' battle between Lanche and Dodson. Lanche allowed the defeated team three hits and struck out ten.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

W.L.Pct.	W.L.Pct.
Boston..... 45 22 .682	St. Louis..... 27 23 .540
Cleveland..... 40 28 .588	Chicago..... 27 23 .540
New York..... 41 24 .627	Detroit..... 24 41 .364
Washington..... 40 25 .615	Philadelphia..... 25 40 .381

Yesterday's Games.
Detroit, 5; Washington, 4.
Cleveland, 1; New York, 0.
Philadelphia, 2; St. Louis, 1.
Boston, 4; Chicago, 3.

Where They Play Today.
Detroit at Washington.
Chicago at Boston.
St. Louis at Philadelphia.
Cleveland at New York.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

W.L.Pct.	W.L.Pct.
Chicago..... 32 23 .582	Boston..... 25 42 .370
New York..... 44 24 .647	Cincinnati..... 21 46 .313
Pittsburgh..... 27 28 .491	Brooklyn..... 20 42 .323
Philadelphia..... 25 28 .472	St. Louis..... 21 44 .323

Yesterday's Games.
St. Louis, 3; Philadelphia, 2.
Pittsburgh, 5; New York, 4.
Cincinnati, 7; Brooklyn, 2.
Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 2.

Where They Play Today.
Boston at Chicago.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.
New York at Pittsburgh.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.

BIG LEAGUE BIFFERS.

AB.	R.	H.	TB.	Ave.
Austin, Braves.....	2	1	1	1.000
Smith, Browns.....	1	1	1	1.000
Brick, Cubs.....	1	1	1	1.000
Kallio, Tigers.....	1	1	1	1.000
Johnson, Cubs.....	1	1	1	1.000
Douglas, Cubs.....	1	1	1	1.000
Massey, Braves.....	4	4	4	.800
Burke, Red Sox.....	4	4	4	.750
Southworth, Pirates.....	4	4	4	.750
Gardner, Athletics.....	4	4	4	.750
Lavan, Griffs.....	2	2	2	.667
Dugan, Athletics.....	2	2	2	.667
Cobb, Tigers.....	2	2	2	.667
Shanks, Griffs.....	2	2	2	.667

He's On a Clout Streak



Here's Bobby Veach, the star left fielder of the Detroit Tigers, who yesterday hit safely in his fifteenth straight game. Bobby is a graceful outfielder, a sure pegger, and a fit running mate to Ty Cobb.

BOBBY VEACH STRINGS IT OUT FIFTEEN GAMES

Bobby Veach, of the visiting Tigers, has strung out fifteen straight games with hits since June 30. Veach is on the second longest run of the year. Eddie Foster got going in twenty-one straight games before he was halted. Zeb Milan and Wally Pipp hit in twelve straight, and Ty Cobb hit in eleven straight. Cobb has now hit in

eight straight games, and gets a try at his ninth today.
Since Cobb started on his record climb Veach has been right along with him. In the fifteen games in which Veach has landed safely one or more times, he has been at bat fifty-six times for twenty-two hits, which gives him a mark of .393 for the clouting.

DEANWOOD TAKES IT.

The Deanwood A. C. defeated the National Training School for Boys' team by 5 to 7 yesterday.

PERRITT AND McKECHNIE WILL APPEAL DECISIONS

PITTSBURGH, July 12.—Paul Perritt, the Giant's veteran pitcher, has received notice from his draft board at Shreveport, La., to "go to work or fight." He will appeal.
Bill McKechnie, the Pirates' third baseman, has received similar orders from his draft board here and will also appeal to Washington.



LOOKING 'EM OVER

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Baseball sure has its ups and downs.

Last fall St. Louis, as represented by Branch Rickey and some 10,000 knothole stockholders in the Cardinals, were well-nigh insane because Charlie Weeghman, the Chicago "Hot Dog King," wanted to give them \$50,000 in coin of the realm and four perfectly good players, each equipped with two legs, two arms, and two eyes, to obtain possession of Roger Hornsby, being touted as "the greatest player in the National League."

Branch Rickey took it so much to heart that he couldn't sleep nights. Every time he came down Olive street and saw his reflection in the show windows he frothed at the mouth. And 10,000 other St. Louis nuts, including Sid Kipper, "The Times" St. Louis baseball correspondent, joined Branch Rickey's Insomnia Club and Amalgamated Mouth-Frothing League.

They yelled that the "Hot Dog King" was "trying to foment dissension among the Cardinals, coming champions." They said loudly that Weeghman was a traitor to the National League and to all baseball. Rickey even made this accusation during the annual meeting of the league.

Everything Is Changed.

That was last October, November, and December. Now all is changed. The bottom has fallen out of the Cardinals' pennant dream, and Mrs. Brittin is standing on one foot, waiting for the Knothole gang to come across with a bunch of coin.
And, instead of being "the leading player in the league," Roger Hornsby is pretty much of a joke.
It is doubtful if today the Chicago "Hot Dog King" would think of such a ridiculous thing as to offer \$50,000 and four players, each equipped with two legs, two arms, and two eyes, to get Hornsby. Even "Hot Dog Kings" learn in time. But it takes time.

Yep, baseball sure has its ups and downs.

What a Soldier Says.

A Cincinnati boy, now in training with the machine-gun squad of the light tank corps at Camp Colt, Gettysburg, Pa., gives the best of reasons for continuing the national pastime in its professional aspect. In a letter to the Cincinnati Inquirer, he says: "I'm hoping that they will not knock out baseball with this 'work or fight' order. There is no reason why they should. There are plenty of boys in these camps without drawing on a few hundred ball players."

"The first thing these boys turn to when they get a paper is the sport page, and then they'll be telling you how many hits So-and-So got yesterday and who pitched for the various

teams. Baseball is the one thing back home that they can all follow. This is an unanswerable argument for keeping this sport on a firm basis during the war."

They Play "Over There."

The enthusiasm of the American and Canadian soldiers for baseball is having its effect upon the British troops, according to word from "over there." At almost every camp in England and in the rear billets behind the lines in France, Britishers are picking up the fine points of the great American pastime.

"American baseball has this advantage over cricket and football," says a British correspondent at the front, "namely, that it can be played on fairly rough ground." And another correspondent notes with some surprise that the game as played by the Americans and Canadians is accompanied with a good deal of noise. "I don't know whether Tommy will adopt the barracks methods which seem to be an essential accompaniment to baseball from the American and Canadian point of view," he says. "But if he does, he will probably outdo his comrades from across the Atlantic in noise and fervor."

FEDERAL AGENTS MAKE FANS SHOW CARDS

CHICAGO, July 12.—A squad of Federal agents stood at the gates of North Side Park here yesterday, where the Chicago Cubs and Boston Braves were playing and all fans who appeared to be of draft age were required to show their registration cards.

Several who were without cards were held for investigation and so missed the double-header.

SUCCEEDS KILBANE.

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, July 12.—Tony Hill, the Youngstown lightweight, has succeeded Johnny Kilbane as boxing instructor at Camp Sherman.

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